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## Application No. Applicant(s) Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief 09/829,549 ENGLISH ET AL. (37 CFR 41.37) Examiner Art Unit T. D. Wessendorf 1639

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The Appeal Brief filed on 25 September 2006 is defective for failure to comply with one or more provisions of 37 CFR 41.37.

To avoid dismissal of the appeal, applicant must file anamended brief or other appropriate correction (see MPEP 1205.03) within ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this Notification, whichever is longer. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136.

1. The brief does not contain the items required under 37 CFR 41.37(c), or the items are not under the proper

	heading or in the proper order.
2. 🗌	The brief does not contain a statement of the status of all claims, (e.g., rejected, allowed, withdrawn, objected to, canceled), or does not identify the appealed claims (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(iii)).
3.	At least one amendment has been filed subsequent to the final rejection, and the brief does not contain a statement of the status of each such amendment (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(iv)).
4.	(a) The brief does not contain a concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each of the independent claims involved in the appeal, referring to the specification by page and line number and to the drawings, if any, by reference characters, and/or (b) the brief fails to: (1) identify, for each independent claim involved in the appeal and for each dependent claim argued separately, every means plus function and step plus function under 35 U.S.C. 112, sixth paragraph, and/or (2) set forth the structure, material, or acts described in the specification as corresponding to each claimed function with reference to the specification by page and line number, and to the drawings, if any, by reference characters (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v)).
5. 🛛	The brief does not contain a concise statement of each ground of rejection presented for review (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(vi))
6. 🛛	The brief does not present an argument under a separate heading for each ground of rejection on appeal (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(vii)).
7.	The brief does not contain a correct copy of the appealed claims as an appendix thereto (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(viii)).
8.	The brief does not contain copies of the evidence submitted under 37 CFR 1.130, 1.131, or 1.132 or of any other evidence entered by the examiner <b>and relied upon by appellant in the appeal</b> , along with a statement setting forth where in the record that evidence was entered by the examiner, as an appendix thereto (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(ix)).
9. 🗌	The brief does not contain copies of the decisions rendered by a court or the Board in the proceeding identified in the Related Appeals and Interferences section of the brief as an appendix thereto (37 CFR $41.37(c)(1)(x)$ ).
10.🛛	Other (including any explanation in support of the above items):
	See Continuation Sheet.

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Continuation of 10. Other (including any explanation in support of the above items): Appellants' brief is not responsive to every ground of rejection given by the examiner for dependent claims 5, 35-36, 38 and etc. (See Office action mailed on 2/9/2005). While the Final Office action mailed on 7/25/2005 did not contain the headings for the rejections of the dependent claims however, it is evident from the action that the rejections had been maintained. (See e.g., page 12 of the 7/25/05 Office action.) See MPEP 1205.02. Appellants' attention is further directed to MPEP 1205.02(vi) as to the Grounds of rejection to be reviewed on appeal. The Brief does not contain a concise statement of each ground of rejection presented for review.
For example, the statement \*\* "Whether claims 1 and 2 are unpatentable" would not comply with \*\*>the rule, while the statements< "Whether claims 1 and 2 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 103 over Smith in view of Jones," \*>would comply with the rule. The statement cannot include any argument concerning the merits of the ground of rejection presented for review. Arguments should be included in the "Argument" section of the brief.

Appellants are requested to comply with the new rules concerning the content of the Brief in filing a brief. MPEP 1205.02.